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RESPONSE

Asst. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the notification of missing requirements under 35 USC 371 dated August 2, 2001, Applicants request reconsideration of the application.

The oath was allegedly defective since it did not identify the application to which it was directed. This is an incorrect statement since the declaration filed on June 7, 2001 identified the application by the PCT filing number FR99/02588 dated October 25, 1999 and the transmittal letter identified it by the serial number 423,109 of the 09 series. Therefore, the declaration was complete when filed and Patent Office is requested to accept the same and forward the application to the group for examination in due course. Applicants do not understand why the Patent Office

issued the letter since this is a standard PTO form and has been used by the undersigned numerous times without any difficulty. A copy of the notice is filed herewith.

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